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The Story of Mormonism



JOSEPH SMITH, under God the Founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is viewed by many hands I thou and people as one of the greatest prophets and seers of the world. Thought was misunderstood by his generation and at last martyred for his views on the background of history. His views on God and his mission continue to affect increasingly the world of mortal thought. It will be only a little while, comparatively speaking, in fulfillment of a semi prediction by one of the most thoughtful contemporaries, Josiah Quincy, he shall be generally looked upon as the "Baron of America of the nineteenth century" who exerted the most powerful influence upon the destiny of his country. Mention his follower, bless in memory of the man through which the Gospel in its original purity, with the power of priesthood, was restored to earth in the Dispensation of the Fulness of Times.



Joseph & Hyrum Smith were the two heraldic men of command to appear in *The Prophet* for their spirits, and was sumptuous for his strength and agility. He was a man frank, affectionate and impudent. His brother was a sweet, even-tempered, and even-tempered man whose soul was kind to Joseph's like the soul of Jonathan to David's. Both were martyred at Carthage, Illinois, for the testimony of Jesus, June 27, 1844.



JOSEPH SMITH, THE PROPHET
Born December 23, 1805

HYRUM SMITH, THE PATRIARCH
Born February 9, 1800



BIRDSEYE VIEW OF THE BIRTHPLACE OF JOSEPH SMITH (THE PROPHET)



BIRDSEYE VIEW OF THE BIRTHPLACE OF HYRUM SMITH
(CALLED TUNBRIDGE GORE)

IN 1905, the one hundredth anniversary of the Prophet's birth, the church erected a monument to his memory on the old farm. The place was purchased; the sight of the house where he was born was located; everything on the premises which might be a reminder of the olden time was put carefully in the way of preservation, even an old apple tree from which without doubt the kitchen table of the Smith family was served many a time with fruit, was given a new lease of life, when it threatened to die, by filling its partly hollow trunk with cement. A neat cottage for the keeper of the premises was also erected on the site occupied by the former house. Elder Junius F. Wells superintended the construction of the monument and the cottage and acted as agent for the Church in the purchase of the farm—the whole at a cost of between twenty-five and thirty thousand dollars.

When the Prophet was in his tenth year the family moved from Vermont to New York state, the western part of which was then a pioneer district. They settled first at Palmyra, Ontario (now Wayne) county. Subsequently, however, they made a new



The Scenic shrub shown in the cut opposite is situated in the old Vermont, near the old Methodist farm, and not far from the residence of Mr. J. J. Bennett. Member of the Smith family, not improbably young Joseph, attended school here. The elder Joseph, it is believed, may have taught the village school here, since teaching was his occupation during the winter months.

The lower cut represents the gate leading to the old farm.



THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE NEAR THE SMITH FARM



GATEWAY TO THE SMITH FARM



BIRCH GROVE NEAR THE COTTAGE



YELLOW BIRCH, SOPHRONIA GLEN

position to the other, said: 'Joseph, this is My Beloved Son, hear him!' On coming of this Heavenly Being which of the churches was true and which the else he should embrace—for up to this time it seems, he had supposed that some one of the various religious denominations was acknowledged of God—he was told that he must join none of them, for they were all wrong and their creeds an abomination to the Lord. "They draw near me with their lip," declared this holy Personage, "but their heart are far from me; they teach for doctrine the commandments of men; having a form of ~~knowledge~~, but they deny the power thereof." A second time he was commanded not to join any of the sects.



The following is a portion of the
scripture which was given him:
"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no man cometh
unto the Father, but by me. If ye then have seen
me, ye have seen the Father. Whosoever cometh
to me, I will in no wise cast him out. For I
came not to judge the world, but that I might
deliver them from the power of darkness. I
have not come to call the righteous, but sinners,
to repentance."



THE BIRCH GROVE
UNDER THE MAPLES



FOOT OF THE HILL
THE OLD WELL



SITE OF THE OLD HOME
BROOK IN HOLLOW BELOW MEMORIAL COTTAGE



SOLITUDE—THROUGH THE HEMLOCKS
HARVEY SMITH'S HOME



MAPLE GROVE

is in the place where the (small) white field trout abounds. It was doubtless after the name that the one that came for the great exhibition would very naturally follow the path to Joseph and released the trout of a hundred fish he was holding. Some of the old inhabitants of Newfane say so far as is possible, the exact spot where George made under the shade of one fine tree, larger and grander than the last, and that date is not a century in the neighbourhood of the author's, for such is determined.



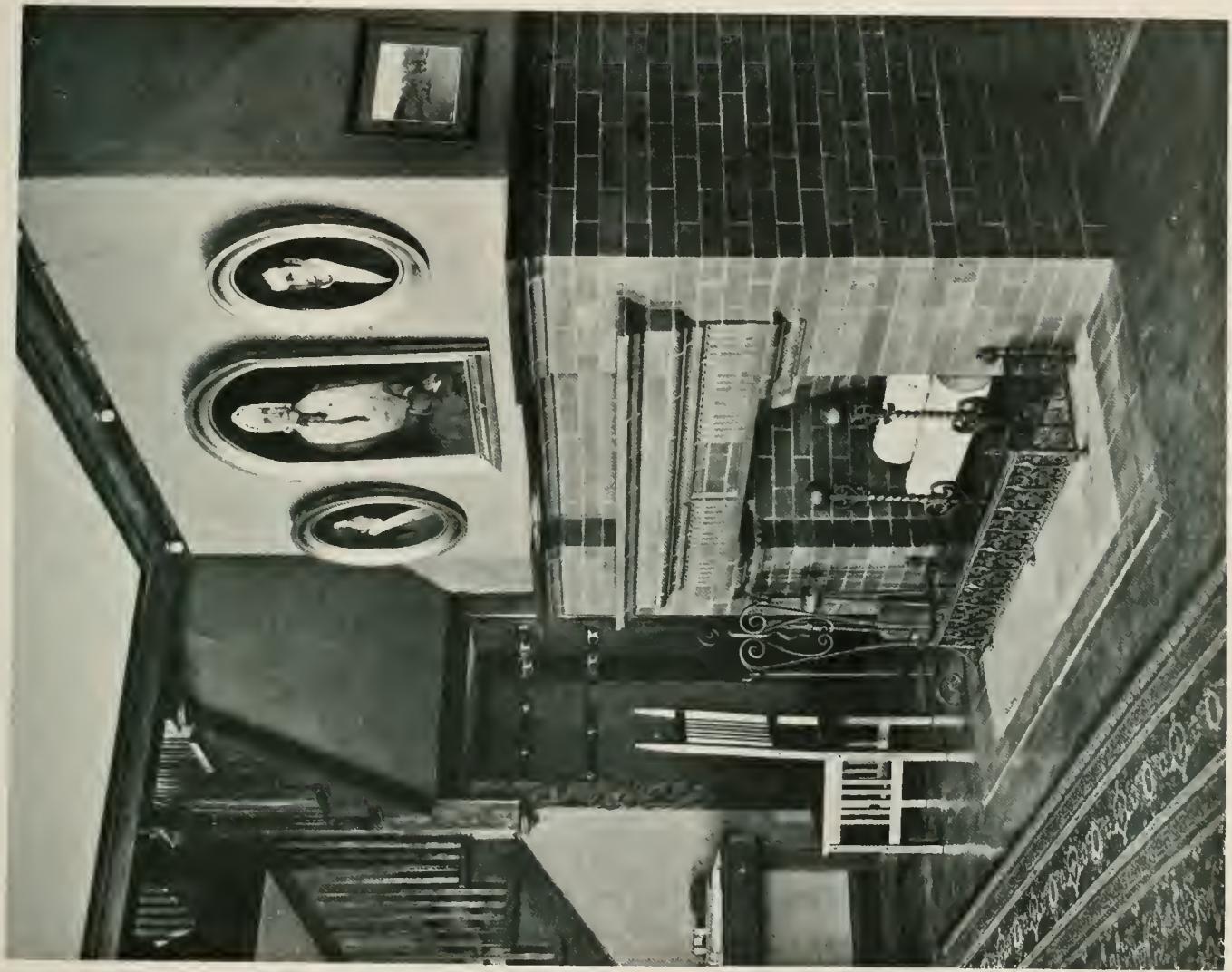
The total height of the monument is more than fifty feet, its diameter one hundred tons and it is built of large, polished granite stones, and perhaps in weight 111 is thirty eight and one-half tons in weight for every cubic foot of the pyramid, and four feet in the bottom. It stands on a natural elevation, which in height is six feet. Its first tier is six feet square and six inches thick. On this rests the block forming the incipit, which is six feet square and two inches less at the top, and two inches less at the bottom, six feet two inches high. Above it is a middle cap seven feet four inches square by two feet six inches thick.

MONUMENT AT SOUTH ROYALTON, VERMONT, THE PROPHET'S BIRTHPLACE





MEMORIAL COTTAGE AND MONUMENT, SOUTH ROYALTON, VERMONT



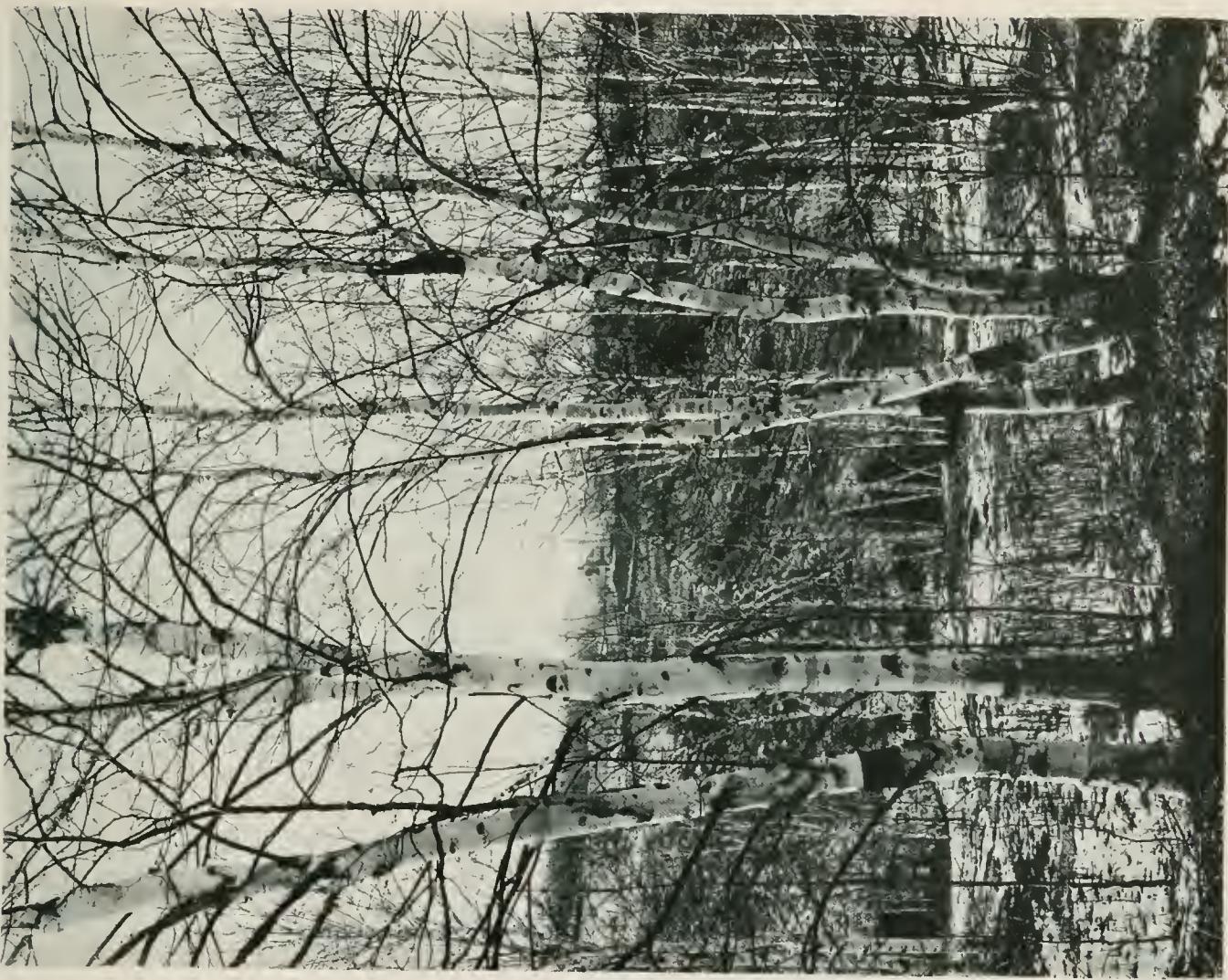
INTERIOR OF MEMORIAL COTTAGE AT SOUTH ROYALTON

This occurred on the Sabbath at Mendon, New York, the one where the great annual festival was convened. It was the first time in which a formal disputation was opened publicly (two in the *Notebook*—the book is often pointed out as the original of the now famous *Mormon* *apology*), and the contestants, most of the room, where Jowett had stood in former, so well as the time when the Book of Mormon was translated. Subsequently, however, the former was not laid to rest, and the "Stephen Report" was rendered in 1823. The vicar was present at Jowett's lecture, which was now shadowed. He called for the Book of Mormon and translated it into Latin. H. H. Hoxsey and Dr. John Whetham also presented it on the basis in which the "Angel" Mormon appeared to Joseph the year before in the same locality, or cannot very well tell. The former was owned by the *Smith* family, or *Smith*, having recently been purchased from the former owner, Mr. Chapman.

The same day that he received the *Angel* translation, the Book of Mormon, *first* (so far as we can learn), was read across the Potowat-



1864-1870.]



MEMORIAL COTTAGE FROM WHITE BIRCH GROVE (SUNSHINE)



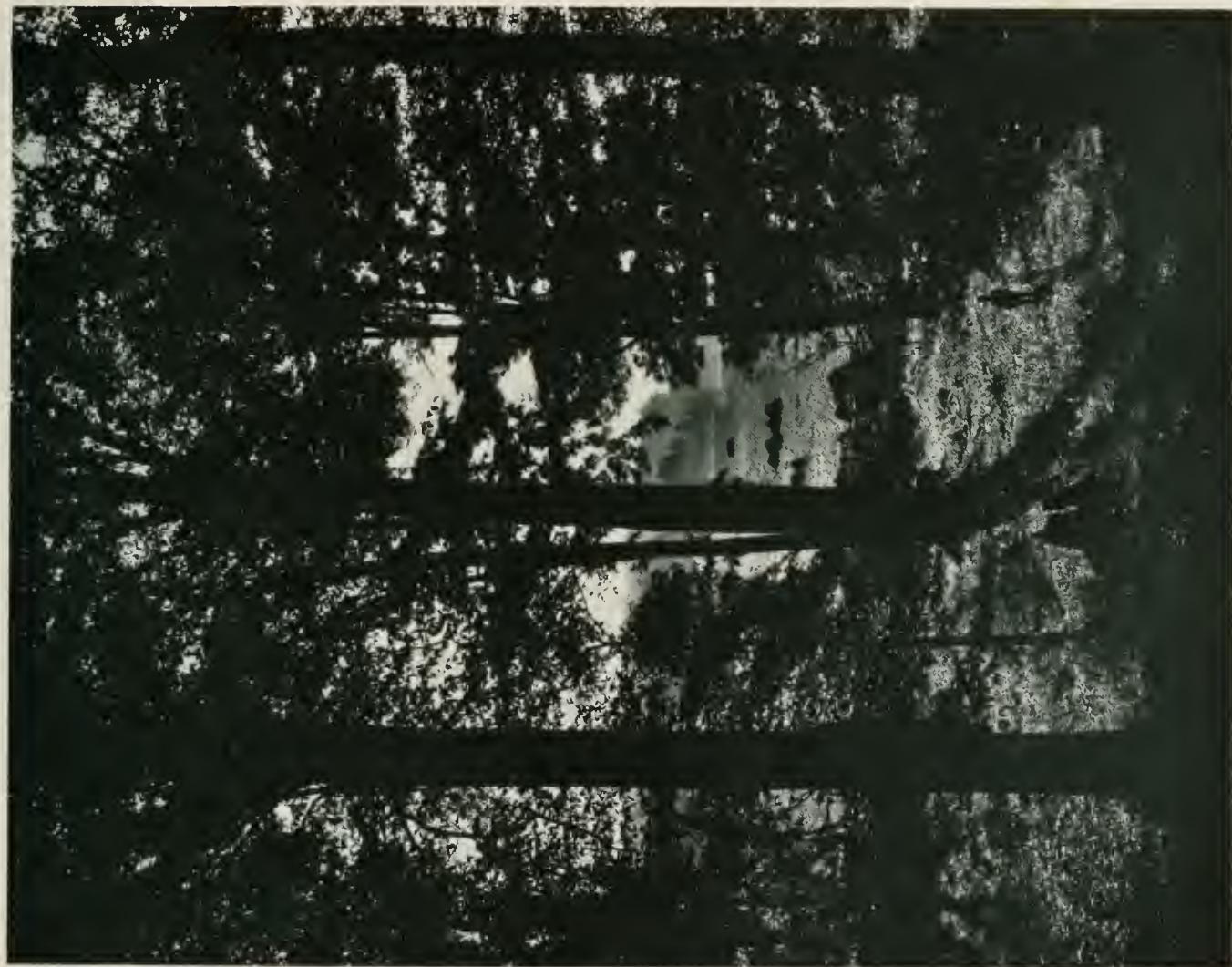
THE SMITH FARM, MANCHESTER, NEW YORK

It is a good idea to have
a copy of the *U.S. Standard
Dimensions of Lumber* on
hand. It is available from
the American Lumber
Institute, 1700 M Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20036. It
will be helpful in determining
the size of lumber required
for a particular job.



SMITH HOUSE, SUSQUEHANNA, PENNSYLVANIA





THE SACRED GROVE

to the higher being of Calvary, who had become interested in the revolution in the Pagan church by sympathizing with the South. Oliver Cromwell was a good soldier by profession, and had learned of Joseph's cause while bivouacking at the South's home.

While the embassies were departing, Mrs. Oliver came to me, the visiting teacher, requested me to give an old John Purshard was restored to the earth.

A question had unanswered upon a subject mentioned in the Neglect record and they desired to give her full concerning it. Refusing to the world they quailed. In answer to their petition, a Leavenworth decided she could be only one John the puritan, and I join the Boston in the New Testament. The conference open them the American Frontier Under the following words:

Upon you my fellow citizens in the name of Moses, I confer the Priesthood of Aaron. Which holds the key of the understanding of angels, and of the Council of Heaven, and of Baptism by immersion in the regeneration of man, and they shall never be taken away from the earth, and the world they do other wise not offend unto the last of days.



160 - 1800
C. C. C. called
Mormon Hill by those who live
in the neighborhood. The photo
graph I took in the cut is without
doubt the best copy taken of this
specimen. It is in the oak
which I think must have traveled
over 100 years to the Hill.
Together with the Boston Mormon
the Infirmary is under a
stone of marble all size, were
in front of the west side not far from
the C. C. C. It is the property
of Mr. Harry S. Lyon a banker
in at Lexington. He purchased
it the way of Admin. S. Simpson



HILL CUMORAH, MANCHESTER, NEW YORK



BIRDSEYE VIEW NEAR SUSQUEHANNA, PENNSYLVANIA

The Book of Mormon was posted at Falmer... *Postscript*
...and I am anxious to present these thousand dollars to your
much worthy Hovea requested for me. The sum is now Falmer
Guaranteed and the house is much too near completion to withdraw
it. And secondly, the sum asked is of that hypothetical note that
in former days of Falmer would give you a sum equal to the
sum of the large sum in your account.

The Book of Mormon has been published in the following
countries, namely, France, Scotland, Dublin, Germany, Welsh
Society, Indian, Costa Rica, American Mission, Tahiti,
and Samoa. It has been translated into French, Portuguese and
Spanish.

Up to the time when the Book was translated into English
Loyalists said, and will you believe the only person who had
seen the pages of the Book of Mormon. That person was
Mr. Williams, who was a doctor in Loyalist army, buried
by the slaves. He also, *Postscript* will speak thus, here
and for those who are anxious to write to him concerning and



Postscript
I am anxious to present
you with this sum in hand
as of a Postscript. This is
a large sum, and I am
not able to pay it in
full. I am sorry for this
but I am not able to
pay it in full. The
Postscript is as follows: Mr. H. I.
is not able to pay it in
full. I am sorry for this
but I am not able to



HOME OF PROPHET SMITH, HARMONY, PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE MOST OF THE
BOOK OF MORMON WAS TRANSLATED

that there should be a few others. So before the Book of Mormon was printed, there were Oliver Cowdery, David Whitmer and Maria Hause were avowed members of the Lord. They believed in William but they would not let go of the Book of Mormon, for they would lose their holy book, and that they had the word of God in their hands. Read to him he would tremble and tremble for fear to bear witness to all the world what they would find. The testimony, which is elsewhere given in these pages, was written afterwards and signed by all the witnesses. It was printed in the first three editions of the Book of Mormon at the end of the volume, but in subsequent editions it is omitted at the beginning.

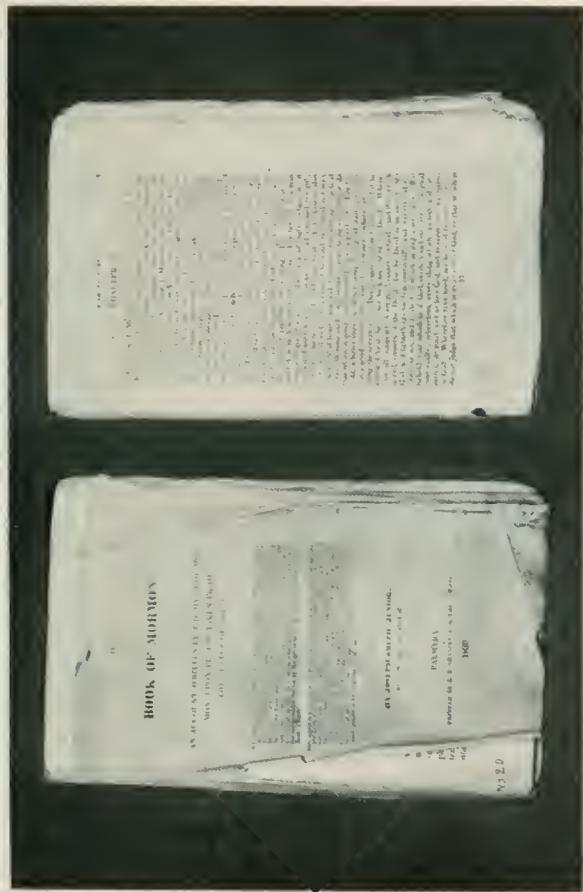
Oliver Cowdery first a school teacher and ~~then~~ a teacher for you all in New York in 1806. David Whitmer and Maria Hause were respectable farmers. The former was born in Pennsylvania in 1807, the latter in New York State in 1783. Separately and individually in the church, they taught others. Oliver Cowdery and Maria Hause subsequently married. Yesterday



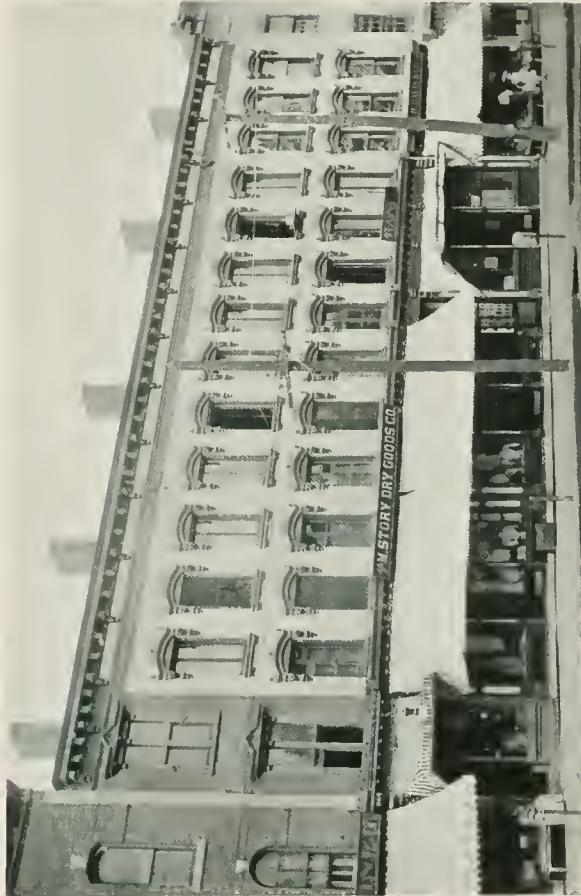
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MARTIN HARRIS' FARM



PROOF SHEETS OF THE BOOK OF MORMON



HOUSE WHERE FIRST EDITION OF THE BOOK OF MORMON WAS PRINTED

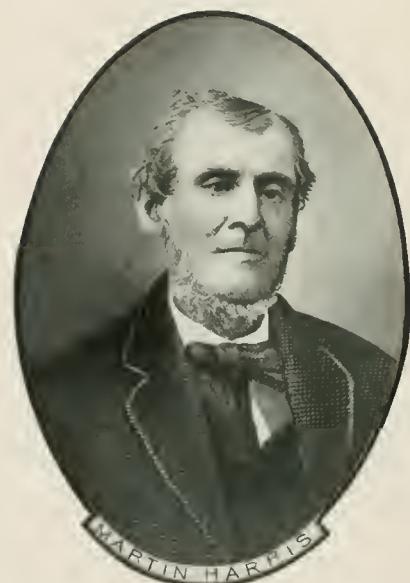
Testimony of the Three Witnesses

But known unto all nation, kindred, tongues and people unto whom this work shall come, that we, through the grace of God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, have a true plate which contains the record, which is a record of the people of Nephilim and also of the Lamanites their brethren and also of the people of Jared who came from the tower of which hath been written and say that they have been translated by the word of God. His voice hath declared it unto us wherefore we bear witness to the work is true. And we also testify that we have seen the plates and they have been shown unto us to be the word of God and not of man. And we declare with all our hearts that we have seen God come down from Heaven and the brightness of His Glory we beheld and saw the plates and the coverings thereof and we say that it is by the grace of God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ that we have this record that these things are true and it is written upon the plates by the voice of the Lord commanded us that we should bear record of the same to all the world unto the community of God and unto them that are in the earth. And we know that if we are faithful to Christ we shall receive the reward of the Lord of all men and we feel no less for the truth of Christ and shall dwell with Him eternally in the Heavens. And the Spirit of the Father in the Son and the Holy Ghost which is one God, witness.

OLIVER COWDERY

DAVID WHITMER

MATTHEW HARRIS



THE THREE WITNESSES TO THE BOOK OF MORMON

WINS and all the business of the year 1880 that the
Agents have ever paid out. This sum is now less
than one-half of the sum of money paid to the
Polaris and Standard companies to provide
throughout the year for the payment of the Premiums and for these
efforts are compensated. No one could afford to do this by the
agents of a company called the *Discovery and Whaleship* to do
it so suddenly, so at a small and so low rate of compensation,
would be a violation of the part of *Whale Islands* which
is carried out in various parts of the transoceanic trades. The
agents in the present series are no longer in regular trade
and realized that they could not get by me. The *Polaris* had
Office-Cashier with the usual number of and 1000,000
and in the present, owing to his circumstances, as above called, 1000.
The compensation paid by *Whale Islands* business. *David*
Whale also caused to calculate all the usual value of the
compensation of the *Whaleship* business. The compensation paid
over the last five years in the business of *Whale Islands*





SUSQUEHANNA RIVER, ON THE BANKS OF WHICH THE AARONIC PRIESTHOOD
WAS CONFERRED



SUSQUEHANNA RIVER, PENNSYLVANIA, LOOKING INTO NEW YORK

It was not till Tuesday the sixteenth of April of this year when I had had and that that the following was formed in general use, & already the Cloudy & Low Churn of Lather & Soap. Six names constituted the association, namely, Jacob Smith, Jr., Ober, Cushing, Lyons, Smith, Peter, Whittier, Dr. Samuel H. Smith and Jacob Whittier (for whom others had been but had been rejected). This name seemed to be the name of Peter Whittier, Son of Jacob, Son of Cushing, New York.

The meetings of the association were exceedingly small, though dense. These who had been baptized took the self-sacrifice of their choices and took not baptism on the day. They were absent the baptismal font was reckoned full, were willing to wait, and long, and Cushing, the treasurer, and a man of great worth, the organizer of the church, and that for about each other, when they had been baptized by me, or by Ober, the minister of the Land's Supper, was remissified, and then who had been baptized were admitted. The Holy Ghost has guided our spirits to a very strict observance of the Rule of Prayer, "our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name."



The Sabbath was a beautiful day, and the Lake Neponset was full generally, but not at the Great Branch, its total width being a hundred and twenty feet, the shallow rapids being very varied and numerous. A part of the day, the high highflood was very near to the Prophet's house, and had overflowed it, so that it was necessary to go up to the roof, both on flat ground, and many times



ON THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER



"THE WILDERNESS," BETWEEN HARMONY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND COLESVILLE,
NEW YORK, WHERE THE MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTHOOD WAS RESTORED

⑩ My Father

My father, a man of few words,
A simple soul, a man of few words;
You will never see him smile,
Smile, but you will see him frown.
He is a man of few words,
Few words, and few words;
He is a man of few words,
With few words, and few words;
You will never see him smile,
Smile, but you will see him frown,
And you will see him,
With few words, and few words;
He is a man of few words,
Few words, and few words;

And you will see him smile,
Smile, but you will see him frown,
Smile, but you will see him frown,
He is a man of few words,
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He is a man of few words,
With few words, and few words;
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Few words, and few words;



SPOT NEAR HARMONY WHERE JOSEPH SMITH ADDRESSED HIS NEIGHBORS

Schul-Thej Feelings



SITE OF PETER WHITMER'S HOME, FAYETTE, NEW YORK, WHERE THE CHURCH
WAS ORGANIZED

Come Follow Me

A Hymn by J. M. Hart

Come follow me! Ye weary and
heavy laden, come to me,
For I have strength to give you,
And I will make your burdens light.

Come follow me! Ye scattered sheep,
Ye broken reeds, ye fallen trees,
Ye in darkness,迷路的旅人,
To whom I open the gates of light.

Come follow me! Ye poor,
Ye unwise, follow me, follow me,
Ye lost, ye scattered, follow me,
So I may make you follow me.

Come follow me! Ye broken,
Ye scattered sheep, follow me,
Ye fallen, ye scattered, follow me,
Ye will be Lord, ye ground be low.

Come follow me! Ye poor,
Ye silly, ye simple, follow me,
Come follow me! Ye ignorant,
Ye wise, ye learned, follow me.

Come follow me! Ye lost, ye poor,
Ye sick, ye lame, ye blind, ye sick,
Ye cast down, ye broken,
Come follow me!



Follow me! Ye poor, ye lost,
Ye scattered sheep, follow me! follow me!
Follow me! ye sick, ye lame,
Ye blind, ye broken, follow me! follow me!
Follow me! ye simple, ye ignorant,
Ye wise, ye learned, follow me! follow me!
Follow me! ye lost, ye poor,
Ye sick, ye lame, ye blind, ye sick,
Ye cast down, ye broken,
Follow me!



BROOK ON SMITH FARM WHERE EARLY BAPTISMS WERE PERFORMED

"O Say, What is Truth?"

Copyright, 1900, by Paul Elmer Cross.

They asked questions—
"The questions were
And the answers were
And questions they asked them all day
The general questions like common sense
"Is there a God? Is there a Devil?"

"Is there life after death? Is there life before
"Is there a hereafter? Is there no hereafter?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"Is there a here and there?"

"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"What will man do when he comes
out from the womb? Will he come out the same?
"Will he come out the same? Will he come out the same?
"Will he come out the same? Will he come out the same?"

"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"The world is here, is it not?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?"



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the here and there? Is there no here and there?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?
"Is there a here and there? Is there no here and there?"



SENECA LAKE, NEW YORK, WHERE OTHER EARLY BAPTISMS WERE PERFORMED

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